Old Eben Stephens, Inmate of a Charity Home, Cared Not for Life After His One Friend Had Gone Out of the City.

HIS KNIFE WAS STAYED.

He's 78 and Never Married-"My Past Life is My Own Secret and If There Has Been Any Romance that is for Me to Know," He Says.

"It broke my heart to say good-by to the only friend I have in the world." With trembling voice Eben Stephens, the aged thimate of the Isabella Helmath Home, at One Hundred and Nine tieth street and Amsterdam avenue, who attempted to commit suicide last evening, told a pathetic story of an effort to escape from a lift that held no hope for the future.

Bandages encircled the throat of th self-injured man, but he spoke lightly of his wound as he reticently told of the incidents that led to his attempt to and his life.

"Mr. Munson and I have been friends for years, and since I have been almost blind and cannot read, his visits out here to see me were the only joy I had

Testerday the Superintendent told me I might go to see him and I called on them in his office in Ridge street. Then he told me he was going to Detroit to see him again.

A Sad Good-By. "Good-by, old friend,' he said. 'I

must part.' separation made me despondent. I have rheumatism and walk with diffi-oulty. I am half blind and cannot read, and now my only friend is going away. All the way none on the car I kept

All the way mone on the car I kept thinking about it. I didn't see anything in the future for me and finally when I got to One Hundred and Eighty-sixth street I just got off the car and determined to end it all.

"I had a little penknife in my pocket and, well. I tried to cut my throat."

Stephens was found by Policeman Conner and taken to the One Hundred and Fitty-second street police station, where he was taken back to the Home he was overcome with remorse for his act.

"I don't like to talk about my troubles, but people don't realize what friendship means to an old man who is alone in the world."

He's a New Englander.

Bisphens is a venerable-looking man of seventy-eight. He was born in Salem. Mass., and comies of a good old New England family. For years he was connected with a book publishing house this city, but rhesinatism and failing cresish throw him from his position. When I found that I could not earn my living there was nothing to do but apply for admittance to the Home." He said. "I was never married. I never—but please do not let the news of my condition get back to Salem;—there might be some of my old friends who would remember me, and I should not like to have them know what I have done. "My past fife is my own secret, and "My past fife is my own secret, and

"My past life is my own secret, and if there has been any romance that is for me alone to know. It is bad shough for a man to be reduced to charity without his former friends knowing it, and I try to forget the

"I will try now to live out my life till the end without trying to kill myself. Only the cool green grass and the trees looked like a quiet place to die in, and I thought it would be a good way to creep away and forget all mytroubles."

ANY ONE SEETHIS

She's Only Thirteen, Has Ripe Cherries on Her Hat and an Ambition in Her Heart to Earn Her Own Living.

Her mind inflamed with a desire to make her own way in the world from reading a cheap class of novels, Jeannette Cook, the pretty thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davis Cook, of No. 549 West Fifty-first street. has disappeared from her home, leaving a note that she had gone to the country. After searching in vain since Monday Mfs. Cook to-day asked the police to send out a general alarm.

The girl was well advanced in school but she had a passion for paper-covered novels of a style that pictured the brilltant successes of ambitious girls. Shlonged to do something herself, and often asked her mother to let her earn her own living. Although only thir-teen gears old, she is tall and well de-veloped and could easily pass for fif-

veloped and could easily pass for fiftees.

Her father is a night engineer and
Mrs. Cook went to visit him on Monday night. When she returned her
daughter had gone, and the following
nots was on the table:

"Dear Mother---On this letter are ten
kisses. I leave this letter, telling of my
going out into the world to earn my
own living. Every month you can expect my wages. I am going to the
country to live there with a family. I
have been very discouraged this while
back and I wish to earn my own living.

Your daughter.

J. T. COOK.

"P. S.--Ten kisses. Please do not
look for me for you cannot find me."

Mrs. Cook believes that the girl copied
the letter out of one of the books she
had read. She wore a blue and white
suit and a tan straw hat with ripe cherries on it.

FASTEST OF BATTLE-SHIPS.

VIENNA, June 4.—The new Austrian recond-class battle-ship Arpad at Pola proyed herself to be the fastest battlethin in the world on her speed trais. Her maximum speed was 20.12 knots an aour, and she made an average of 10.65 tnots in a six hours' run.

She was built by the Trieste Shippulding Company and carries three 9½ash guns and twelve 6-inch quick firers.

SOUCHT DEATH H.O'Neill & Co.

Thursday and Friday, a Sale of Untrimmed Hats.

ROUGH & READY STRAW HATS 10C. each. Worth 75c. TUSCAN, CUBA and BURNT STRAW HATS

75C. each.

Worth \$1.50.

ASS'T'D JAP BRAID HATS 44C. each. Worth 95c.

A large assortment of CHILDREN'S TRIMMED HATS \$2.98 each. Worth \$4.00.

LADIES' READY TO-WEAR HATS, all the sopular shapes, trimmed with good materials in up-to-date styles \$3.48 Value \$5.50.

SPECIAL VALUES IN FLOWERS.

Daisy, Wild Flower, Cherry, Poppy | Roses, Daisies, Poppies, Blossoms, and Rose Wreaths, | Foliage, &c.,

25C. bunch. Worth 50c.

Ladies' Muslin Undergarments.

Splendid assortments for June, presenting the very latest and most up-to-date styles and at extremely moderate prices.

CORSET COVERS, nicely trimmed with lace and embroidery, V shape, all sizes,

10c. each. CORSET COVERS, trimmed front

and back, with lace, embroidery and ribbon, newest shapes—a magnificent 25c. to \$3.98 each. COLORED CORSET COVERS,

long and short sleeves; also handker-chief shapes, in black, pink, blue and 49C. and 59C. each.

98c. to \$9.98 each. APRONS, for matrons, maids, teachers, nurses, the hospital and the kitchen—Batelle, Gibson, Florentine and black; also sewing and tea Aprons

PETTICOATS, beautifully trimmed with maltese, torchon, heavy cluny, point de Paris laces and embroideries,

all sizes, 38 to 44,

25c. to \$2.98 each.

in fancy, large and small sizes, beauti-fully trimmed; also hemstitched—a

large and complete assortment,

Also LADIES' PAJAMAS for home, travelling and mountain wear (two piece suits), of madras, percale, cambric and China silk, newest kimono sleeves, guaranteed fast colors, full sizes,

\$1.49 to \$12.00 each. (Second Floor.)

"True Merit" Shirts for Men.

We have become Sole Owners and Manufacturers of the Famous Brand of "TRUE MERIT" SHIRTS, formerly merchandised by the well-known firm of Messrs. James McCreery & Co., Broadway and 11th St., who for many years were the sole owners of this make of shirts, and it is our intention to continue this most excellent brand and maintain the high standard this noted firm made for them.

"TRUE MERIT" SHIRTS (unlaundered) are made of the very best N. Y. Mills muslin, and excellent linen bosoms, reinforced at sides, and also have all known improvements, cut full and finished in the very best manner. Made with closed fronts and open backs, also open back and front, in short and long bosoms and full yoke. Sleeve lengths are: 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 inches.

We place them on Sale To-morrow at

50c. each. Six for \$2.75.

Boys' Wash Suits and Children's Straw Hats

At Special Prices for Thursday. (Second Floor.) 75 dozen BOYS' WASH SUITS, made of striped Galatea, Madras, Chambray, White Pique and Duck, sizes 3 to 10 years... \$59c

Regular price \$1.25.

Sixth Avenue, 20th to 21st Street.

REINHARDT'S

6th Avenue and 18th Street. LARGEST MILLINERY STORE IN NEW YORK.

GREATEST SALE FASHIONABLE MILLINERY THIS SEASON.

500 Ladies' Trimmed Hats, in Black, White and Tuscan, all hand-made shapes, with fine escurial lace insertion, trimmed with fine, long Ostrich Plumes; sold up to now at Ten and Twelve-Fifty. To-morrow and Saturday.

5.48.

On Trimmed Hats, in the most desirable shapes only; made especially for this sale; usual price, Five Dollars and Seven-Fifty. Your choice To-morrow and Saturday at

We will also place on sale about 200 dozen of the most fashionable Untrimmed shapes of the season, such as the St. Regis, Monte Carlo, Pompadour, De Leon, Camille, &c., in burnt straw and black only. Price until to-day, One Dollar and Twenty-Five. Your selection for this sale,

49c.

HAT ho! Mr. Postman! Good morning! I say. You're always so busy on Mondays, and why?" "Know you not, Mr. Citizen, Monday's the day That each Sunday World Want ad. brings its reply From hundreds of people? That's why they pay. And that's why I'm busy on Monday. Good-by."

More Great Friday Sales.

ABRAHAM NO STRAUS

BROOKLYN.

SUCH a series of great sales as New York City never knew before has been stirring tremendous interest hereabouts. Primarily they were designed to demonstrate beyond peradventure that Monday's tremendous. day's tremendous values are not the only great values of the week in the Abraham and Straus store—that Friday, indeed, that every day, is full of surpassing interest here.

But they have gone far beyond their original intention. The response to the announcements has been enormous. The enthusiasm they aroused has been inspiring. And so again the whole Store puts forth supreme effort and again the news is presented of one of the most remarkable economy occasions in the history of merchandising.

The news so briefly told is alive with interest for every one. These are values it will be your loss

Women's \$2 Oxfords--\$1.29.

Little enough price for light, flexible Oxfords that will give good wear all Summer. They have low heels and patent leather tips. Shape is the new narrow toe that is both stylish and

Second floor, rear, West Building

\$4 to \$6 Silk Waists, \$1.95.

Taken from our regular stock-down to a fraction of their cost because they have been a trifle mussed by handling.

12½c. Cotton Fabrics, 5c.

Printed Dimities, printed Batistes, printed Percalines and printed Mousselines. Broken lines of some of the prettiest and most desirable Cottons of the season at less than half

value-5c. a yard.

Main floor, West Building

75c. to \$1 Photo Frames, 39c.

Handsome metal Frames, the finest lot of them we ever had for any such little price.

Some are gold burnished. Some have the rich oxidized finish. There is a wide variety of designs in practically all sizes. All samples, that's why we have them for 39e Main floor, front, Central Building.

Men's 35c. and 50c. Sox, 19c.

Fancy lisle thread Sox, some with embroidered fronts, some vertical stripes, some silk clocks, some plain lace lisle openwork, some novelty effects; broken sizes are the cause of the price concession.

Hose Supporters --- 2 Specials. Just two fair instances of the great values in the

Notion Store to-morrow-no room to print more: 20c. Hose Supporters at 14c. Double pad abdominal sateen Hose Supporters, in the following colors: black, light blue, pink, orange, cardinal and white.

25c. Hose Supporters at 19c. Double pad abdominal satin Hose Supporters, in the following colors: black, light blue, cardinal and pink.

Main floor, rear, Central Building.

Corset Covers at 59c.

Round neck Corset Covers with three lace insertions across front, lace ruffle and ribbon run beading back and front and embroidery beading and ribbon at waist. Exceptional value at 59c. Second floor, East Building,

\$1.50 Kimono Sacques at 98c.

The daintiest of white lawn Kimono Sacques with tucked yoke back and front and short, hemstitched sleeves. There are wide insertions of Cluny lace down the front and on the shoulders.

Sceoud floor, East Building

Pinkham's Compound—53c.

Usually we sell Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for 63c. a bottle-which is smartly under the ordinary price. To-morrow's price will be 53c.

No mail or telephone orders filled. None sent C. O. D. Only one bottle to a customer. Main floor, front, Central Building,

Men's \$1.50 Straw Hats, 98c.

At the very beginning of the season to get for 98c. a Hat that would be fine value for \$1.50 is pretty good luck, isn't it? It will be a busy day in the Hat Store to-morrow.

These are sennit and split straws in the correct shape with wide brims and low crowns.

Second floor, rear, East Building.

Thin Blown Tumblers, 3c.

Sixty cents a dozen is the usual price here and Two thousand dozen will be ready to-morrow at 3c. sach. None sent C. O. D. 69c. Claret Jugs. 49c. Imitation cut glass Claret or Lemonade Jugs, in tankard shapes, with silver mounted tops.

Basement, West Building

25c. Washable Stocks, 19c.

Thousands of them sold at a quarter apiece because women couldn't find anything smarter and prettier at that price. Now we want you to share this chance we have to get the same fine Stocks and at a saving.

Main floor, left, Central Building

Photos on Cloth.

To-morrow, Saturday and Monday, a man will be here to show how easy it is to print photographs on any fabric, postal cards, letter heads, wood almost anything, in fact. Bring a film and have a print made without charge.

Women's 25c. White Belts, Ilc. Washable belts for less than half-fine news

for everybody who wears a shirt waist. These are the smart new style with wide backs taper-ing toward the front. Well finished and mounted with metal harness buckles in glit, black or nickel finishes. Main floor, centre, Central Building.

Women's 25c. Jewelry, 16c.

Waist Pin Sets of 3 or 4 Pins. Belt Pins.

Hat Pins with sterling silver tops. Quite wide variety of these pretty and useful things that we shall have on a special table Friday. There are heads, flowers, art nouveau and fleur de lis designs, in black, oxidized and French gray finishes. Full 25c, value at. 16c Main floor, centre, Central Building.

\$1.50 Summer Corsets, 98c.

"J. B." Corsets, made of strong netting. A medium waist model with cut-away hip, trimmed top and bottom with lace and ribbon and well boned. Cool and perfect Summer Corsets that would be fine \$1.50 value. A third

\$1.75 Batiste Corsets, 79c. These for stout figures, a straight-front model, with long gore hip, bias sides and low bust, well boned and trimmed with lace.

Boys' \$3 and \$4 Suits, \$1.95.

Time enough to get one before the parade starts to-morrow afternoon, and great luck for the boys who do it.

They are washable Russian Blouse Suits of fine imported galateas, mercorized chambrays, linens and cheviots. For little fellows of 24 to 6 years there is nothing prettier or better for summer wear. They are very smartly and strongly made and full \$3.00 and \$4.00 value for \$1.95 Boys' 75c. Madras Blouses - 48c.

Of fine madras, in the season's newest patterns, finely made Blouses that are wear-resisting, some finished with turnover collar, others with white neckband, sizes 6 to 14 years.

Collar and Cuff Sets.

Some of the daintiest of the new season's Neckwear for women and

25c, Instead of 49c, and 75c, to Pay, Some are finished with hand hemstitching, some with drawn work, some with French dots.

Main floor, centre, Central Building.

\$2.50 Waist Patterns -- 98c.

All linen-with the fronts, collars and cuffs handsomely embroidered. All are white and each packed in a neat box.

Main floor, centre, Central Building.

A Sale of Books at 5c.

Less Than They Cost. Summer reading-this is the Sale that so many hundreds of people wait for each year to supply

the Novels for Summer entertainment. This time the lot includes fiction, essays, poetry, history, etc., all well printed and bound in paper covers. Such well known authors as Dickens, Scott. Thackeray, Eliot, Corelli, Braeme, Clay, Holmes, Southworth, Dumas, Carey, the Duchess, Doyle, Garvice, Ouida, Reade, Stevenson and others.

Probably the finest lot of Books ever offered anywhere at 5c. a volume. Not sent C. O. D. Main floor, rear, East Building.

Tennis Balls, 24c. Wright & Ditson-the same standard Tennis

Balls that we sell regularly for 38c. each-which is less than regular. Only half a dozen to a buyer at Friday's new price. Plenty more news as fine in the Sporting

Horsman's Tennis Rackets. Third O.f. \$1.50 Trimount Rackets, 98c. Full size Rackets with

Golf.

\$5.00 China Matting, \$2.95.

Some 50 rolls of excellent China Matting that was specially small priced at \$5.00 for a 40-yard

FRIDAY, AS USUAL, BARGAIN DAY

Following up our first week of the

Summer Sale of Ladies' Underwear Babies' Clothing

NEW ATTRACTIONS IN EACH.

together with

Unmatchable Friday Bargains in Summer Goods of All Kinds.

UNDERWEAR

Fine Cambric-deep flounce of 7 rows eyelet lace and H. S. tucks.......1.69

Nainsook and Cambric—yoke of fine emb'y and H. S. tucks—or Point de Paris iece—ribbon run—value .59....39

Fine Cambric and Nainsook— insertings of fancy lace or fine emb'y and tucks—ribbon run—value .89.. 69

CHEMISES—Cambric—round neck— neatly trim'd, with lace and insertings—value .59

Cambric-round or square neck-

Chemises in elaborate

Long and Short Waist Dresses— yoke or deep French collars or bretelle effects—deep hem— H. S. or tucked skirts—value .88.... .65

Children's Checked Gingham Dresses-gathered on yoke—cmb'y trim— sizes to 2 years—value .39..................................19

Specials

Friday.

Dresses Skirts Waists

Grass Linen Dresses-ove

(Kimonos

Fancy White Zephyr Shawls—
14 yards square—deep border or
fringe—three styles—special............98

LADIES'

for the Summer Sale. WASH DRESS FABRICS Nainsook Slip Over Gowns-ribbon run emb'y heading-short sleeves-also 6 other styles-value 1.98.....1.49 SKIRTS—Fine Cambric—deep emb'y ruffle and H. S. tucks or 2 and 3 insertings fancy lace—value 1.49.. .95

SUMMER DRESS GOODS Friday. All Wool Crepe Albatross-

Fine Cambric—deep lawn ruffle, with straight and bias tucks and open work emb'y—or fancy styles, with lace ruffles— 2.69 WHITE GOODS

The Summer Sale

Fine White Dimitles and 40-inch Dress Lawns; also Mercerized and Basket Weave Cheviots, and Figured Piques—were 17 to 25... 124 Fine Indian Linens—15-cent qual-

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Friday; per sample...... ,19 to .98

CORSETS
Friday Values
for the
Summer Sale.
Coutille and Batiste—Straight Front,
Habit Hip and French shapes—
were .98
Batista Set

Washable Knee Pants 3 to 16 yrs..... White Duck and Pique, also Tan Crash and Ligen Knes Pants... Fine All Wool Pants...made of Tallors. Remnants Washable Sailor Suits-3 to 10 yrs ... Boys' Bathing Suits—value .75....... Boys' Jersey Sweaters—value .75.....

GIRLS' GUIMPES Friday.

Specials

Men's Fast Black Cotton Hose— Double soles, usually 24. Ladies Cobweb Liste Hose. Children's White Stockings, Fine Ribbed.

Also, the following shortly expressed but

that will help to make Summer's first Friday a memorable day.

BLACK MOIRE VELOUS 35
36 inch—value 59
2MBROIDERIES—3 to 8 inch—Edgings.
Insertings and Beadings—value 15. 9
MEN'S NEGLIGEE SHIRTS—New Bedford Cords—value 50. 39

ENVELOPES TO MATCH—
packages of 5.

for Friday.

Friday Values for the Summer Sale. Cambric Slips-tucked or full fronts-plain or H. S. ruffles-value .25..... .14

BOUS" Summer

Plain and Combination Straw Hatz Extra fine Washable Sallor Suita. 1.49 . 1.05

oress Skirts of summer weight Cheviot and Brilliantine—stitched taffeta bands-value 6.00..4,98 Brilliantine Sunburst Skirts-navy and black-value 5.30-special....3.98 Madras Blouses, White and Col'd-value .69..... "Mother's Friend" and "Cadet" Waists-

HOSIERY Men Women Children Friday.

STRONG VALUES

roll will be here on Friday at \$2.95.